Weymouth. May 1. 1839.

Dear Deborah,

I have been waiting to hear from you before writing, & yesterday afternoon your letter came. I have not much to say to you in the way of news and shall therefore send a little package containing letters that I have received from Lucia & one from Dr Farnsworth. Burn all but the Dr's. All are well here. Little Henry goes to school every day & improves considerably. His health is good and his behaviour pretty well. Hervey says he is no better, but I am fearful that the real complaint is a disinclination to assume any responsibilities. But I cant tell; he was in town last Saturday & saw Cutler and told him he should return with him to N. Haven on the last of May. Grandma's folks have been miserable, but are now somewhat better. Grandma is well, but Aunt Priscilla has been most wretchedly. She took cold & that, combining with her old complaints made her appear a very sick woman. Both the others have had dreadful colds, but all now seem to be mending. Aunt Mary sends her love and says she would write you only she was poorly & had a great deal to do and had in fact been having optical illusions all day, having attempted to drive out of the sink room a grey hen that she thought was there. I told her if she had got so bad as that I thought you would excuse her. Wendell when at Weymouth staid with us. As it was the most violent storm that has occurred this year few went to hear him comparatively, but he was much liked by all who did hear him. A meeting of the Female Emancipation Society was held a week ago at Deacon Emmons' school house at which resolutions were passed in favour of the Crade

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of the women of Lynn & Dorchester and the Society also voted to
raise $5 to take ~~#~~ 10 copies of the Cradle for gratuitous distri-
bution; also they voted to raise what they could for the re-
demption of / the pledge. Aunt Mary / Mrs Belcher, one of the
Newcombs & one or two others have been from door to door
collecting & have raised more than $14 which I think very
well. They hope to get a little more. People have given some
things who were not known to take the least interest / in the
matter. The pledge is paid, but it was raised at the last
minute, that is the last few hundred dollars by members
of the Board, but say nothing about this as it / is supposed
they can be repaid / by the / money that will be coming in
from the country. You can merely say the pledge is / paid.
The Board felt peculiarly impelled to have it paid by the
first of May, by Stanton's coming in to the Office and saying
"the pledge may be paid by / the 8th", but not by the 1st" /
Henry Caroline & Lizzy were down last Sunday. / They did not
tell / much news & / probably most of it is embodied in a
letter which I shall send / from Lynn. Henry seemed to
~~take~~ ~~bear~~ bear his wife's debut at Lynn very well. Mrs Fifield came
from Boston Monday night, brought me no letters but said
that a long letter / of 6 pages had been received from Gerrit
Smith which would be published in the next Non Resistant.
It nearly comes out if not quite. Mrs F. also said that
Maria had a letter which she read to her that Fanny
Kemble had written to Mary Appleton which Mrs F reported / as
genuine Anti Slavery. Fanny it seems is living on a plantation at the
South somewhere. / I think I shall go / to Boston on Friday. I
burn to be at N.Y. next week, but I must at any / rate
be as near the scene of action as possible. Henry will go if
his father's health permit, but I do not think / Maria will.
I rejoice over Durfee's discomfiture I assure you. On Wed last
I went over to Dorchester to the Norfolk Co. meeting. St Clair Wise
Sandford, Cornell & lots of other fellers were present. Of the faith-
ful, Collins Johnson F. Jackson & Whiting & Ryder. Boutte was not

joined on the main questions but in the afternoon Colver peeled on the clergy question like an onion & Whiting used him all up. Resolutions as to Minot Thayer & the women of Dorchester were passed, but Sandford prudently took himself away before they began. Henry carried me over in our old chaise. We dined at Loring Reed's. He & his wife are first rate Abolitionists They denominated Mary Clark & Susan Reed as peelers. St Clair came & spoke to me. Did he to you at N. Bedford? Jane Webb is said to be engaged to Mr Wells the man she is keeping school with. Old Mr Loring is dead at last. He died last Friday of a sort of decline I suppose. Clarissa Richards is just gone almost in a consumption. I dare say I shall be at Boston now till you come. I want to get me a place somewhere very much. If you hear of any thing, lay it up Do not let a half & half A.S. man be settled at N.B. A down right opposer is better. As soon as I go to Boston I will see that E. Neyrick & other things are sent you. It is said that Mary Parker is not going to Philadelphia, but I dont know. I wrote to L. Mott by Mrs Johnson, but it was merely a private letter. What M.S. has done I dont know. Mrs Ordway's is so long a story I cant tell it; it is nothing very special. A letter came the other day from Lucretia but no news. At the end of May Henry is going for her. Write to me at Boston by every chance, or if there is none by mail.

Yrs ever Anne

When I go in town I am going to take your old silk cloak in, & have it dyed a blk or blue blk for Ma.

I have not paid for this bundle, having no money.

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